(iii) Under the Social Security Certificate Scheme, acceptors of sterilisation after one or more girl children get a lump-sum amount after a number of years. This is a social security measure encouraging Family Planning and acceptance of girl child. This scheme has been introduced in States like Maharashtra, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan and Tamil Nadu. The funds for the purpose are being provided by the respective State Governments.

Target for Sterilisation Operations during Eighth Five Year Plan in Madhya Pradesh

2437. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set up any targets for sterilisation operations for family planning during the Eighth Plan in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and how much funds have been earmarked for this purpose;

(c) whether Government have fixed these targets on year to year basis;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and what is the target for the current year;

(e) to what extent the yearly target has so far been achieved by different headquarters in the Madhya Pradesh; and

(f) what steps Government propose to take to achieve the operation targets of family planning in Madhya Pradesh ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) to (e) State targets for sterilisation are proposed by the State Government. Allocations are made on a year to year basis. During 1992-93, the annual target for Madhya Pradesh is 4,00,000 Sterilisation operations. An allocation of Rs. 4780.72 lakhs has been made to Madhya Pradesh during 1992-93 for the Family Welfare Programme which also includes compensation money of Rs. 685.86 lakhs to be paid to Sterilisation and IUD Insertions cases. A total of 77,488 Sterilisation (provisional) have been performed during 1992-93 (upto October, 1992) in the State of Madhya Pradesh, showing achievement of 19.4% of the annual targets.

(f) Necessary support is being provided to the State Government to improve the skills of the existing medical and paramedical functionaries through basic and in-service training and also for strengthening of the rural health institutions for improving the overall delivery of family welfare services.

Treatment of depression among early school going children

2438. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a good number of children are treated for depression caused by early schooling at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi every year;

(b) if so, what are the details of children treated for depression at the Institute during the last three years;

(c) whether Government have studied the negative effect of early schooling on the health of children particularly the children who are below the age of five years;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof;

(e) whether Government propose to impose or recommend a ban on early schooling of children below the age of five years;

(f) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(g) how Government propose to remove and prevent depression among the toddlers in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not aries in view of reply at (a) above.

(c) This Ministry has not conducted any study into the prevalence of such negative effects.